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Marshall University Board of Governors
June 24, 2014
Board Meeting

St. Mary's Center for Education

After lunch, Dr. Penny Kroll gave the Board a look at the Dr. of Physical Therapy Program at the School of Physical Therapy. Tours of the facility for the School of Physical Therapy and the St. Mary's Rehabilitation Center followed her presentation.

Marshall University Board of Governors
June 25, 2014
Board Meeting
Shawkey Dining Room, Memorial Student Center

Present: Joseph Touma, M.D., Chair; Phyllis Arnold, Vice Chair; James Bailes; Phil Cline; Tim Dagostine; Christie Kinsey; David E. Haden, Edward Howard; Dale C. Lowther; Joseph McDonie; Wyatt Scaggs; Michael G. Sellards; Martin Amerikaner; Miriah Young; Duncan Waugaman.

Absent: Oshel Craigo

I. Call To Order

Upon determining a quorum was present, Dr. Joseph Touma called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Prior Minutes

Upon a motion by Joseph McDonie, seconded by Edward Howard, the Board approved the minutes of the April 22-23, 2014 regular meeting.

III. President's Report

Dr. Kopp recognized Dr. Touma, as this meeting was his last meeting as Chairman of the Board. He noted his appreciation for all Dr. Touma had done for Marshall University during the past two years as Chairman.

Dr. Kopp talked about the summer activities noting that it had been a very busy summer thus far. He discussed the MU Foundation investments were up, and the Board investments are up. On June 30th, the "First in the World" competition sponsored by the federal Department of Education would be submitted. This is a strong application and we are hopeful for success.

The two ad hoc committees of the Board of Governors met in early June. He thanked all board members that participated and that are appreciative of your support.

Enrollment for fall semester is fluctuating at this time.

Since our last meeting, the schedule has been very busy. Some highlights are:

- Alumni Weekend/Awards Banquet. Dr. Eric George, a hand surgeon from New Orleans was honored. He is such an impressive person and a Marshall graduate;
- Dr. Gallo spoke at the School of Medicine Convocation;
- Brad Smith, CEO of Intuit, spoke at Spring Commencement. Another impressive graduate of Marshall University;
- Went to Dubai to talk to representatives regarding a Marshall University School of Medicine presence there;
- Conference USA meeting. A handout was given regarding a NCAA Litigation Update.
- Newseum Alumni event on June 18th in Washington, DC. There was a special tribute given to Senator Rockefeller at this event.
- Recognition and introduction of Brandi Jacobs-Jones to the MU Board of Governors.

IV. Committee Reports

Finance, Audit and Facilities Planning Committee

Mr. Dale Lowther, Chairman of the above Committee, reported on the "Action" items from the Committee.

A) The first item (item D on agenda) is to be deferred to the next meeting and it is regarding a capital improvement project to complete the second floor of the Chapmanville facility.

B) The next item is regarding Approval of Revision to Schedule of Marshall University Tuition and Fees for Fiscal Year 2014-15. Upon a motion by Mr. Haden, seconded by Mr. McDonie, the following resolution was read and unanimously approved:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approves the revision of the schedule of Marshall University Tuition and Fees, for Fiscal Year 2014-15.

C) Next item is regarding the Approval of Investment Earnings Update. Upon a motion by Ms. Young, seconded by Mr. McDonie, the following resolution was read and unanimously approved:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors receives the Investment Earnings Report for the 10 months ending April 30, 2014.

D) Next item is regarding the approval of Nine months ending March 31, 2014 Financial/Budget Report. Upon a motion by Mr. Haden, seconded by Ms. Arnold, the following resolution was read and unanimously approved:

Resolved, that the Board of Governors receives the Financial/Budget Report for the nine months ending March 31, 2014.

Other informational updates were given regarding Finance, Operations, School of Medicine, Athletics and Internal Audit.

Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Mr. Ed Howard, Chairman, gave the Committee report for Academic and Student Affairs Committee.

A) Approval of a replacement policy regarding animals on campus

This new policy replaces GA15. This item was discussed extensively in the Committee meeting. Therefore, upon a motion by Ms. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. McDonie, the following resolution was read and unanimously approved:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approves Policy No. GA-15, Animals on Campus as a proposed policy and initiates the notice of proposed rulemaking process.

Further Resolved, that the policy is approved as final at the conclusion of the comment period if no substantive comments are received.

B) Approval of a new degree program, Master of Science in Computer Science

Upon a motion by Mr. Haden, seconded by Mr. McDonie, the following resolution was read and unanimously approved:

Resolved, that the Marshall University Board of Governors approve the proposed master's degree in Computer Science.

V. Chairman Report

Dr. Touma gave a report noting that it would be the last one he would give as Chair. He recognized his fellow members and staff at the University that he appreciated. Mr. Sellards is the new Chair and Mr. Sellards thanked Dr. Touma for his leadership and dedication to Marshall University. He discussed the challenges in WV and the team effort it will take going forward.

VI. Executive Session under the authority of WV Code § 6-9 A-4

There was no executive session.

VII. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is not scheduled, but will be sent to each member at a later time.

VIII. Adjournment

Upon a motion by Mr. McDonie, seconded by Mr. Lowther, the meeting was adjourned.

Michael G. Sellards, Secretary